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For: ACOUSTICALLY TAILORED COMPOSITE
MATERIAL STRINGED INSTRUMENT

MS: Maintenance Fee - Delayed

Director of the United States Patent and trademark Office
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**PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED
MAINTENANCE FEE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.378(c)**

Sir:

The patentee hereby petitions the Commissioner to accept the 12th year maintenance fee for the above-identified patent. The following is provided (within 24 months of the 6-month grace period) in support of the petition:

1. A maintenance fee transmittal enclosing the fee of \$2365.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(g).
2. The surcharge of \$1640.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(i)(2).
3. A credit-card transmittal form for the fees of (1) and (2).
4. The entire delay in making the required maintenance fee was unintentional.

As all requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.378(c) have been satisfied, the patentee petitions the Commissioner to accept the maintenance fee and treat the patent as not having expired.

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